

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| Applicant(s): Lee | |
| Application No.: 10/716731 | Group Art Unit: 2132 |
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| Title: Fast Re-Establishment of Communications for Virtual Private Network Devices | Examiner: Lemma |
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FILED WITH RCE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of July 26, 2007, entry of the below amendments to the claims in order to place this application in condition for allowance is appreciated: